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Reply to Attn of: OWW-130

Daniel Redline, Regional Administrator
Idaho Department of Environmental Quality
2110 Ironwood Parkway
Coeur d'Alene, ID 83814

Re: Request for Preliminary Certifications of NPDES Draft Permits for the City of Coeur d'Alene,
City of Post Falls and the Hayden Area Regional Sewer Board
NPDES Permit Numbers ID0022853, ID0025852, and ID0026590

Dear Mr. Redline:

Enclosed are preliminary drafts of the NPDES permits plus fact sheets for the above referenced facilities.

We are asking for Idaho Department of Environmental Quality (IDEQ) review and preliminary Clean Water Act Section 401 Certifications for these permit actions. We will include in the public notices and fact sheets a reference to the State's preliminary Section 401 certifications. If possible, we would appreciate a response within 30 days.

Since these preliminary drafts are not intended for review outside of IDEQ, we appreciate your discretion in retaining them within the department.

If you have any questions on the enclosed materials, please contact Brian Nickel at 206-553-6251 or at Nickel.Brian@epa.gov. We look forward to receiving your comments on these draft permits.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael J. Lidgard".

Michael J. Lidgard, Manager
NPDES Permits Unit

Enclosures